

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please cancel the application priority claim at the top of page 1 of the specification and replace it with the following priority claim:

02 This application is a continuation of patent application serial no. 09/²⁴~~42~~1,244, filed on February 1, 1999 and now abandoned, which is a continuation-in-part of patent application no. 09/230,829 which is a 371 of PCT/US97/13386 filed on August 1, 1997, now abandoned, which claims priority to patent application serial no. 08/692,012, filed on August 2, 1996 now U.S. Patent No. 5,866,702.

→ Please delete the reaction schemes located on pages 28 and 46 of the specification.

NE Please replace Table 1 at pages 3-38 with new Table 1 presented in Appendix B.
Please replace Table 3 at pages 47-49 with new Table 3 presented in Appendix B.
Please replace Table 7 at pages 61-65 with new Table 7 presented in Appendix B.
Annotated versions of Tables 1, 3, and 7 indicating the changes made to the Tables (additions and deletions), are presented in Appendix C.